U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 3 of 51

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (CANCELED)

2. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method for driving an image display device which

includes a plurality of pixel electrodes which are formed on a substrate, pixel switching elements

which are individually connected to the pixel electrodes, a plurality of signal lines for applying a

data signal according to a display image to the pixel electrodes, and a common electrode for

applying a common potential to pixels, said method controlling a voltage applied to the pixel

electrodes in a conduction period of the pixel switching elements according to a pulse width

supplied to the signal lines,

wherein the voltage applied to the pixel electrodes is less than a voltage supplied to the

signal lines, and

wherein a proportion of a maximum value of the voltage applied to the pixel electrodes

with respect to the voltage supplied to the signal lines becomes different depending on a polarity

of the voltage applied to the pixel electrodes.

3. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method for driving an image display device which

includes a plurality of pixel electrodes which are formed on a substrate, pixel switching elements

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 4 of 51

which are individually connected to the pixel electrodes, a plurality of signal lines for applying a

data signal according to a display image to the pixel electrodes, and a common electrode for

applying a common potential to pixels, said method controlling a voltage applied to the pixel

electrodes in a conduction period of the pixel switching elements according to a pulse width

supplied to the signal lines,

wherein the voltage applied to the pixel electrodes is less than a voltage supplied to the

signal lines, and

wherein the pulse width of a supplied voltage to the signal lines in the conduction period

of the pixel switching elements becomes different depending on a polarity of the voltage applied

to the pixel electrodes, even when displaying the same tone.

4. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method for driving an image display device which

includes a plurality of pixel electrodes which are formed on a substrate, pixel switching elements

which are individually connected to the pixel electrodes, a plurality of signal lines for applying a

data signal according to a display image to the pixel electrodes, and a common electrode for

applying a common potential to pixels, said method controlling a voltage applied to the pixel

electrodes in a conduction period of the pixel switching elements according to a pulse width

supplied to the signal lines,

wherein the voltage applied to the pixel electrodes is less than a voltage supplied to the

signal lines, and

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 5 of 51

wherein an allocated time for a single scanning line is different for each polarity of the

voltage applied to the pixel electrodes.

5. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method for driving an image display device which

includes a plurality of pixel electrodes which are formed on a substrate, pixel switching elements

which are individually connected to the pixel electrodes, a plurality of signal lines for applying a

data signal according to a display image to the pixel electrodes, and a common electrode for

applying a common potential to pixels, said method controlling a voltage applied to the pixel

electrodes in a conduction period of the pixel switching elements according to a pulse width

supplied to the signal lines,

wherein the voltage applied to the pixel electrodes is less than a voltage supplied to the

signal lines, and

wherein, with respect to an image display device having the common electrode for

applying a common potential to the pixels and having a plurality of scanning lines for driving the

pixel switching elements, liquid crystal is displaced according to a potential difference between

the common electrode and the pixel electrodes so as to carry out display, and an amplitude of a

voltage supplied to the signal lines is equal to an amplitude of a voltage supplied to the common

electrode.

6. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method for driving an image display device which

includes a plurality of pixel electrodes which are formed on a substrate, pixel switching elements

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 6 of 51

which are individually connected to the pixel electrodes, a plurality of signal lines for applying a

data signal according to a display image to the pixel electrodes, and a common electrode for

applying a common potential to pixels, said method controlling a voltage applied to the pixel

electrodes in a conduction period of the pixel switching elements according to a pulse width

supplied to the signal lines,

wherein the voltage applied to the pixel electrodes is less than a voltage supplied to the

signal lines, and

wherein a maximum value of an amplitude of the voltage applied to the pixel electrodes

is in a range of not less than 80 percent and not more than 98 percent of an amplitude of a voltage

supplied to the signal lines.

7. (ORIGINAL) A method for driving an image display device, said method applying a

voltage between a potential of signal lines and a potential of a common electrode when a

potential of scanning lines is ON, and displaying tones by modulating a pulse width of a two-

value voltage supplied to the signal lines,

wherein tones are displayed by shifting phases of waveforms of the signal lines and the

scanning lines, and polarities of pixels in a signal line direction are inverted alternately.

8. (ORIGINAL) A method for driving an image display device, said method applying a

voltage between a potential of signal lines and a potential of a common electrode when a

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 7 of 51

potential of scanning lines is ON, and displaying tones by modulating a pulse width of a two-

value voltage supplied to the signal lines,

wherein tones are displayed by shifting phases of waveforms of the signal lines and the

common electrode, and polarities of pixels in a signal line direction are inverted alternately.

9. (ORIGINAL) The method as set forth in claim 8, wherein the waveform of the

common electrode is off-phase by a certain degree with respect to the waveform of the scanning

lines.

10. (ORIGINAL) The method as set forth in claim 7, wherein a potential difference

between the potential of the signal lines and the potential of the common electrode is maximum

at an end of one horizontal period.

11. (ORIGINAL) The method as set forth in claim 8, wherein a potential difference

between the potential of the signal lines and the potential of the common electrode is maximum

at an end of one horizontal period.

12. (ORIGINAL) The method as set forth in claim 7, wherein a potential difference

between the potential of the signal lines and the potential of the common electrode is minimum

at an end of one horizontal period.

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 8 of 51

13. (ORIGINAL) The method as set forth in claim 8, wherein a potential difference

between the potential of the signal lines and the potential of the common electrode is minimum

at an end of one horizontal period.

Claims 14-15 (CANCELED)

16. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method for driving an image display device, said

method displaying tones by modulating a pulse width of a two-value voltage supplied to signal

lines,

wherein a resistance of a transistor which switches ON or OFF signal application from

the signal lines to pixels is increased with time from a beginning to an end of an application time

of a single pixel, where the application time of the single pixel is 1 horizontal period.

17. (ORIGINAL) The method as set forth in claim 16 wherein the resistance of the

transistor is varied by varying a gate voltage.

18. (CANCELED)

19. (ORIGINAL) A driving device of an image display device which includes a plurality

of pixel electrodes which are formed on a substrate, pixel switching elements which are

individually connected to the pixel electrodes, a plurality of signal lines for applying a data signal

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 9 of 51

according to a display image to the pixel electrodes, and a common electrode for applying a common potential to pixels,

said driving device applying a voltage between a potential of the signal lines and a potential of the common electrode when a potential of scanning lines is ON, and displaying tones by modulating a pulse width of a two-value voltage supplied to the signal lines,

wherein said driving device includes a signal line driving section for supplying a signal, which is created by shifting a phase of a voltage waveform whose polarity is inverted per one horizontal period, according to tone data of the display image, with respect to a phase of a voltage waveform of the scanning lines, to the signal lines.

20. (ORIGINAL) A driving device of an image display device which includes a plurality of pixel electrodes which are formed on a substrate, pixel switching elements which are individually connected to the pixel electrodes, a plurality of signal lines for applying a data signal according to a display image to the pixel electrodes, and a common electrode for applying a common potential to pixels,

said driving device applying a voltage between a potential of the signal lines and a potential of the common electrode when a potential of scanning lines is ON, and displaying tones by modulating a pulse width of a two-value voltage supplied to the signal lines,

wherein said driving device includes a signal line driving section for supplying a signal, which is created by shifting a phase of a voltage waveform whose polarity is inverted per one

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 10 of 51

horizontal period, according to tone data of the display image, with respect to a phase of a

voltage waveform of the common electrode, to the signal lines.

21. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A driving device of an image display device which

includes a plurality of pixel electrodes which are formed on a substrate, pixel switching elements

which are individually connected to the pixel electrodes, a plurality of signal lines for applying a

data signal according to a display image to the pixel electrodes, and a common electrode for

applying a common potential to pixels,

said driving device applying a voltage between a potential of the signal lines and a

potential of the common electrode when a potential of scanning lines is ON, and displaying tones

by modulating a pulse width of a two-value voltage supplied to the signal lines,

wherein said driving device includes a scanning line driving section for varying an

amplitude of a voltage supplied to the scanning lines between positive application being

application of a voltage to a positive side in voltage application to pixel electrodes with a

reference voltage 0V and negative application being application of a voltage to a negative side in

voltage application to pixel electrodes with a reference voltage 0V.

22. (ORIGINAL) A driving device of an image display device which includes a plurality

of pixel electrodes which are formed on a substrate, pixel switching elements which are

individually connected to the pixel electrodes, a plurality of signal lines for applying a data signal

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 11 of 51

according to a display image to the pixel electrodes, and a common electrode for applying a

common potential to pixels,

said driving device applying a voltage between a potential of the signal lines and a

potential of the common electrode when a potential of scanning lines is ON, and displaying tones

by modulating a pulse width of a two-value voltage supplied to the signal lines,

wherein said driving device includes a scanning line driving section for varying an

amplitude of a voltage supplied to the scanning lines so that a resistance of a transistor for

switching ON or OFF signal application from the signal lines to the pixels is increased with time

from a beginning to an end of an application time of a single pixel.

23. (CANCELED)

24. (ORIGINAL) An image display device which includes a plurality of pixel electrodes

which are formed on a substrate, pixel switching elements which are individually connected to

the pixel electrodes, a plurality of signal lines for applying a data signal according to a display

image to the pixel electrodes, and a common electrode for applying a common potential to pixels,

said image display device applying a voltage between a potential of the signal lines and a

potential of the common electrode when a potential of scanning lines is ON, and displaying tones

by modulating a pulse width of a two-value voltage supplied to the signal lines,

wherein said image display device includes a signal line driving section for supplying a

signal, which is created by shifting a phase of a voltage waveform whose polarity is inverted per

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 12 of 51

one horizontal period, according to tone data of the display image, with respect to a phase of a

voltage waveform of the scanning lines, to the signal lines.

25. (ORIGINAL) An image display device which includes a plurality of pixel electrodes

which are formed on a substrate, pixel switching elements which are individually connected to

the pixel electrodes, a plurality of signal lines for applying a data signal according to a display

image to the pixel electrodes, and a common electrode for applying a common potential to pixels,

said image display device applying a voltage between a potential of the signal lines and a

potential of the common electrode when a potential of scanning lines is ON, and displaying tones

by modulating a pulse width of a two-value voltage supplied to the signal lines,

wherein said image display device includes a signal line driving section for supplying a

signal, which is created by shifting a phase of a voltage waveform whose polarity is inverted per

one horizontal period, according to tone data of the display image, with respect to a phase of a

voltage waveform of the common electrode, to the signal lines.

26. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) An image display device which includes a plurality

of pixel electrodes which are formed on a substrate, pixel switching elements which are

individually connected to the pixel electrodes, a plurality of signal lines for applying a data signal

according to a display image to the pixel electrodes, and a common electrode for applying a

common potential to pixels,

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 13 of 51

said image display device applying a voltage between a potential of the signal lines and a

potential of the common electrode when a potential of scanning lines is ON, and displaying tones

by modulating a pulse width of a two-value voltage supplied to the signal lines,

wherein said image display device includes a scanning line driving section for varying an

amplitude of a voltage supplied to the scanning lines between positive application being

application of a voltage to a positive side in voltage application to pixel electrodes with a

reference voltage 0V and negative application being application of a voltage to a negative side in

voltage application to pixel electrodes with a reference voltage 0V.

27. (ORIGINAL) An image display device which includes a plurality of pixel electrodes

which are formed on a substrate, pixel switching elements which are individually connected to

the pixel electrodes, a plurality of signal lines for applying a data signal according to a display

image to the pixel electrodes, and a common electrode for applying a common potential to pixels,

said image display device applying a voltage between a potential of the signal lines and a

potential of the common electrode when a potential of scanning lines is ON, and displaying tones

by modulating a pulse width of a two-value voltage supplied to the signal lines,

wherein said image display device includes a scanning line driving section for varying an

amplitude of a voltage supplied to the scanning lines so that a resistance of a transistor for

switching ON or OFF signal application from the signal lines to the pixels is increased with time

from a beginning to an end of an application time of a single pixel.

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 14 of 51

28. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An active matrix-driven image display device

including an image display panel for displaying an image by switching by a plurality of active

elements, comprising:

a voltage varying circuit for varying a voltage of a signal for driving the active elements

according to temperature change of the image display panel, so as to carry out temperature

compensation of the active elements, and

a step-up circuit for stepping up a signal voltage for driving the active elements,

said signal voltage for driving the active elements being stepped up by the step-up circuit

after being varied by the voltage varying circuit, and

wherein said image display panel carries out tone display by phase modulation driving.

29. (ORIGINAL) The image display device as set forth in claim 28, wherein said image

display panel is a liquid crystal display panel.

30. (ORIGINAL) The image display device as set forth in claim 28, comprising a

temperature detector for detecting temperature change of the image display panel.

31. (CANCELED)

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 15 of 51

32. (ORIGINAL) The image display device as set forth in claim 28, wherein an applied

voltage of a scanning signal is varied according to temperature change of the image display

panel.

33. (ORIGINAL) The image display device as set forth in claim 28, wherein an applied

voltage of a common signal is varied according to temperature change of the image display

panel.

34. (ORIGINAL) The image display device as set forth in claim 28, wherein an applied

voltage of a tone signal is varied according to temperature change of the image display panel.

35. (CANCELED)

36. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A driving device of an activematrix-driven image

display device having an image display panel for displaying an image by switching by a plurality

of active elements, said driving device comprising:

a voltage varying circuit for varying a voltage of a signal for driving the active elements

according to temperature change of the image display panel, so as to carry out temperature

compensation of the active elements, and

a step-up circuit for stepping up a signal voltage for driving the active elements,

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 16 of 51

said signal voltage for driving the active elements being stepped up by the step-up circuit

after being varied by the voltage varying circuit.

37. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A driving method of an activematrix-driven image

display device having an image display panel for displaying an image by switching by a plurality

of active elements and carrying out step up voltage of a signal for driving the active elements so

as to supply the signal to the image display panel,

wherein a voltage of a signal for driving the active elements is varied before the step up

according to temperature change of the image display panel, so as to carry out temperature

compensation of the active elements.

38. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method as set forth in claim 7, wherein:

a phase of the common electrode is constant with respect to a scanning signal, and

tones are displayed by shifting phases of waveforms of the signal lines and the scanning

lines so that the potential of the signal lines is switched between high level and low level after an

elapsed time period which varies depending on the tone when the potential of the scanning lines

is ON.

39. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method as set forth in claim 9, wherein tones

are displayed by shifting phases of waveforms of the signal lines and the common electrode so

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 17 of 51

that the potential of the signal lines is switched between high level and low level after an elapsed

time period which varies depending on the tone when the potential of the scanning lines is ON.

40. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The driving device as set forth in claim 19 wherein:

a phase of a waveform of the common electrode has a constant phase difference with

respect to a phase of a waveform of the scanning line, and

the signal line driving section supplies a signal, which is created by shifting a phase of a

voltage waveform whose polarity is inverted per one horizontal period so that the potential of the

signal lines is switched between high level and low level after an elapsed time period which

varies depending on the tone when the potential of the scanning lines is ON, with respect to a

phase of a voltage waveform of the scanning lines, to the signal lines.

41. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The image display device as set forth in claim 24,

wherein:

a phase of a waveform of the common electrode has a constant phase difference with

respect to a phase of a waveform of the scanning line, and

the signal line driving section supplies a signal, which is created by shifting a phase of a

voltage waveform whose polarity is inverted per one horizontal period so that the potential of the

signal lines is switched between high level and low level after an elapsed time period which

varies depending on the tone when the potential of the scanning lines is ON, with respect to a

phase of a voltage waveform of the scanning lines, to the signal lines.

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 18 of 51

42. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The driving device as set forth in claim 20, wherein:

a phase of a waveform of the common electrode has a constant phase difference with

respect to a phase of a waveform of the scanning line, and

the signal line driving section supplies a signal, which is created by shifting a phase of a

voltage waveform whose polarity is inverted per one horizontal period so that the potential of the

signal lines is switched between high level and low level after an elapsed time period which

varies depending on the tone when the potential of the scanning lines is ON, with respect to a

phase of a voltage waveform of the common electrode, to the signal lines.

43. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The image display device as set forth in claim 25,

wherein:

a phase of a waveform of the common electrode has a constant phase difference with

respect to a phase of a waveform of the scanning line, and

the signal line driving section supplies a signal, which is created by shifting a phase of a

voltage waveform whose polarity is inverted per one horizontal period so that the potential of the

signal lines is switched between high level and low level after an elapsed time period which

varies depending on the tone when the potential of the scanning lines is ON, with respect to a

phase of a voltage waveform of the common electrode, to the signal lines.

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 19 of 51

44. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The image display device as set forth in claim 26,

wherein: The driving device as set forth in claim 21, wherein:

a polarity of a voltage supplied to the scanning line is inverted per one vertical period,

and

the scanning line driving section varies an amplitude of a voltage supplied to the scanning

lines between adjacent vertical periods.

45. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The image display device as set forth in claim 26,

wherein:

a polarity of a voltage supplied to the scanning line is inverted per one vertical period,

and

the scanning line driving section varies an amplitude of a voltage supplied to the scanning

lines between adjacent vertical periods.

46. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The driving device as set forth in claim 21, wherein:

the scanning line driving section varies an amplitude of a voltage supplied to the scanning

lines so that a voltage of the scanning lines upon negative application is lower than a voltage of

the scanning lines upon positive application.

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 20 of 51

47. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The image display device as set forth in claim 26,

wherein:

the scanning line driving section varies an amplitude of a voltage supplied to the scanning

lines so that a voltage of the scanning lines upon negative application is lower than a voltage of

the scanning lines upon positive application.

48. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The driving device as set forth in claim 22, wherein:

the scanning line driving section supplies a voltage to the scanning lines so as to be large

in the beginning of one horizontal period and decrease toward the end of this period, so that a

resistance of the transistor as the pixel switching element for switching ON or OFF signal

application from the signal lines to the pixel increases with time from the beginning to the end of

the application time on a single pixel.

49. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The image display device as set forth in claim 27,

wherein:

the scanning line driving section supplies a voltage to the scanning lines so as to be large

in the beginning of one horizontal period and decrease toward the end of this period, so that a

resistance of the transistor as the pixel switching element for switching ON or OFF signal

application from the signal lines to the pixel increases with time from the beginning to the end of

the application time on a single pixel.

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 21 of 51

50. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The driving device as set forth in claim 22, wherein:

the scanning line driving section varies an amplitude of a voltage supplied to the scanning lines so that a resistance of the transistor as the pixel switching element for switching ON or OFF signal application from the signal lines to the pixel increases with time from the beginning to the

negative application is lower than a voltage of the scanning lines upon positive application.

end of the application time on a single pixel, and so that a voltage of the scanning lines upon

51. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The image display device as set forth in claim 27,

wherein:

the scanning line driving section varies an amplitude of a voltage supplied to the scanning lines so that a resistance of the transistor as the pixel switching element for switching ON or OFF signal application from the signal lines to the pixel increases with time from the beginning to the end of the application time on a single pixel, and so that a voltage of the scanning lines upon

52. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method as set forth in claim 16, the method

including supplying a voltage to the scanning lines so as to be large in the beginning of 1H period

and decrease toward the end of this period, so that a resistance of the transistor as the pixel

negative application is lower than a voltage of the scanning lines upon positive application.

switching element for switching ON or OFF signal application from the signal lines to the pixel

increases with time from the beginning to the end of the application time on a single pixel.

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 22 of 51

53. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method as set forth in claim 16, the method

including supplying a voltage to the scanning lines so that a resistance of the transistor as the

pixel switching element for switching ON or OFF signal application from the signal lines to the

pixel increases with time from the beginning to the end of the application time on a single pixel,

and so that a voltage of the scanning lines upon negative application is lower than a voltage of

the scanning lines upon positive application.

54. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The image display device as set forth in claim 32,

wherein:

the voltage varying circuit decreases the applied voltage of the scanning signal with

increase in temperature so that a constant current flow is supplied to a drain electrode of the

active element.

55. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The image display device as set forth in claim 33,

wherein:

the voltage varying circuit decreases a common signal voltage applied to a counter

electrode by the amount of a decreased potential of the drain electrode, according to temperature

change of the image display panel, so as to hold a drain current flow into the active element

constant.

U.S.S.N. 09/832,232

Response to Office Action

Page 23 of 51

56. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The image display device as set forth in claim 34,

wherein:

the voltage varying circuit increases a tone signal voltage applied to a drain electrode by

the amount of a decreased potential of the drain electrode, according to temperature change of the

image display panel, so as to hold a drain current flow into the active element constant.

57. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method as set forth in claim 37, wherein:

temperature compensation of the active elements is carried out in such a manner that an

applied voltage of the scanning signal is decreased with increase in temperature so that a constant

current flow is supplied to a drain electrode of the active element.

58. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method as set forth in claim 37, wherein:

temperature compensation of the active elements is carried out in such a manner that a

common signal voltage applied to a counter electrode is decreased by the amount of a decreased

potential of the drain electrode, according to temperature change of the image display panel, so as

to hold a drain current flow into the active element constant.

59. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method as set forth in claim 37, wherein:

temperature compensation of the active elements is carried out in such a manner that a

tone signal voltage applied to a drain electrode is increased by the amount of a decreased

Applicant: T. Yamamoto, et al. U.S.S.N. 09/832,232 Response to Office Action Page 24 of 51

potential of the drain electrode, according to temperature change of the image display panel, so as to hold a drain current flow into the active element constant.